

THE
IMMANUEL
PRESBYTERIAN
MISSION
OF AIKEN, S. C.

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Faculty 1893 and 1894.

Rev. W. R. COLES, Pastor and Superintendent.

Miss IDA J. GENERALS, Principal.

Mrs. ROSA E. COLES, Vocal Music, Sewing
and Fancy Work.

Miss ANNIE H. BARBOZA, Miss ANNA J. DICKERSON,

Miss ANNA H. ADAMS, Mrs. S. B. KEARSE.

Miss LAVISA M. CRUM, Matron.

THE MISSION

Embraces a Church, a Sabbath School and a Day School.

The RELIGIOUS IDEA and AIM of the Mission may be briefly stated :—

1. We read and teach the BIBLE. The command, "Search the Scriptures," we are faithfully endeavoring to obey, and enthuse the idea into the minds of our pupils.


2. Recognizing that the Gospel is God's message to fallen man, and that it alone can and will, when applied and obeyed, correct all evils, we PREACH THE GOSPEL.

3. And we are training young men to preach this glorious Gospel. Ten years ago we planted our church; since then five young men have gone from its membership as candidates for the ministry. These young men, and others from our school, are pursuing their studies in Lincoln University and in the Western Theological Seminary.

4. We are training teachers to unfold truth and mould the character of the young through the teaching and application of the truth contained in the Gospel. Our constant aim is to prepare Christian missionaries.

5. We are doing the work thoroughly.

6. This work has been accomplished with much difficulty. The lack of prompt and ample financial support makes the present work hard, and is a serious hindrance to the attainment of greater results.



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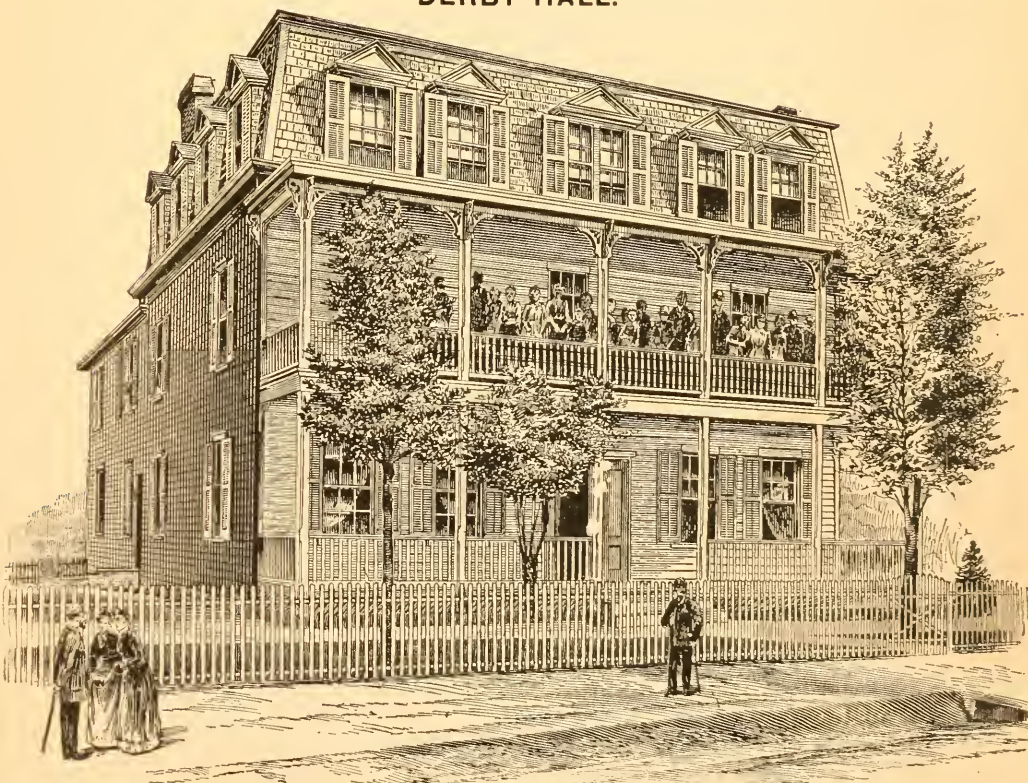
AIKEN, S. C.

Located on the corner of Richland Avenue and York Street, near
the Bush House.

Rev. W. R. COLES, Supt.

This Institution was established in 1881, and is for the education of
colored youth.

DERBY HALL.



BOARDING DEPARTMENT.

We are solving the GREAT PROBLEM of HUMANITY, by HOLDING up the Light, and teaching fallen man the Way of Life.

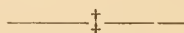
The Mission has the best endorsement of competent judges. Of the many, we call special attention to the following:—

MAY 22d, 1893.

Rev. W. R. Coles, the Principal of the Immanuel Training School, at Aiken, S. C., is a hard-working, self-denying worker for his race. His school is under our care, and we have all confidence in him, and are grateful to all benevolent friends who are inclined to assist him.

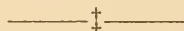
EDWARD P. COWAN,

Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions for Freedmen of the Presbyterian Church.



BY THE BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR FREEDMEN:

"The Immanuel School at Aiken, S. C., is one of our best schools."
(Annual Report of the Board for 1891 and 1892, page 18.)



THE MISSION EMBRACES—

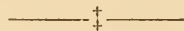
A Church,

Sunday-School,

Day-School,

With Boarding

And Industrial Departments.

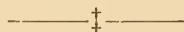


ITS AIM IS TO EDUCATE—

The Mind to Think,

The Hand to Work,

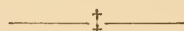
The Heart to Love



IN 1892 AND 1893, WE—

Enrolled 260 Students,

Fifty in the Boarding Department.



To the Friends of the Colored Race:

This will certify that the undersigned has been familiar with the workings of the Immanuel Presbyterian Mission for the past five-and-a-half years. I look upon it as a necessity, and cannot commend too highly the management of the Rev. W. R. Coles, Superintendent. Under him it has been a noble witness, and its promise is very bright.

J. C. OEHLER,

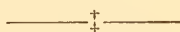
Pastor of the Southern Presbyterian Church, Aiken, S. C.



IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Preaching,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	at 11 A. M.
Preaching,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	at 8 P. M.
Sunday-School,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 P. M.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 P. M.
Popular Lecture, Friday,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 P. M.

All are cordially invited, especially strangers.



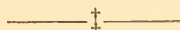
This is to certify that I am acquainted with the Rev. W. R. Coles, and have seen, during several years past, the excellent effect of his preaching, teaching and example upon his own race, both adults and scholars, and can recommend that he be helped to enlarge his boundaries and given additional powers of usefulness.

Respectfully,

W. W. WOOLSEY,

President of the Aiken Co. Loan and Savings Bank, Aiken, S. C.

JULY 8, 1892.



I take great pleasure in commending the Industrial and Normal and Christian work of the Rev. Wm. R. Coles, in Aiken, S. C. His work is an outcome of our work, and we are honored by his success. I have the highest confidence in his honor, in his common sense, in his integrity, and in his unselfish devotion to the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ISAAC N. RENDALL,

President of Lincoln University.



PRINCIPAL SCHOOL BUILDING.

CROSSCUP & WEST, ENG. & ARCHT.

*From Dr. Cattell, formerly President of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and now
Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Ministerial Relief.*

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7, 1892.

I am well acquainted with the Rev. W. R. Coles, Stated Clerk of the Synod of Atlantic and pastor of our church in Aiken, S. C., and have formed a very high opinion of his executive and scholarly ability, his good common sense and his sincere devotion to his work. My personal inspection of the field during a recent visit to the Synod has impressed me with the very great importance of such a "Mission" as he has established at Aiken, and of which he is the efficient Superintendent. I sincerely trust that his appeal to Christian people in the North for means to still further enlarge the usefulness of this Mission will meet with a generous response.

W. C. CATTELL.

WE TRAIN—

Girls for Domestic,

Boys for various kinds of Labor.

Prepare Teachers and

Candidates for the Ministry.

THE SCHOOL YEAR IS—

Eight months, from October 1st to June 1st.

TUITION AND BOOKS—

From \$5 to \$15 per year, according to grade.

TUITION AND BOARDING, \$60.

THE DAILY SESSIONS ARE—

From 9 A. M. to 12 M.

From 1 P. M. to 3 P. M.

MUSICAL AND RHETORICAL EXERCISES—

Every Friday, from 11 to 12 M.

Visitors always Welcome.

*From the Rev. Alex. Henry, Pastor of the Hermon Presbyterian Church,
Presbytery of Philadelphia North.*

HERMON MANSE,

FRANKFORD, PHILADELPHIA, PA., Oct. 7, 1892.

I am personally acquainted with the Rev. W. R. Coles. He is pastor of a Presbyterian Church in Aiken, S. C.; Stated Clerk of the Synod of Atlantic, and Superintendent of the Immanuel Presbyterian Mission. The work in which he is engaged is well worthy of the sympathy and aid of Christian men and women.

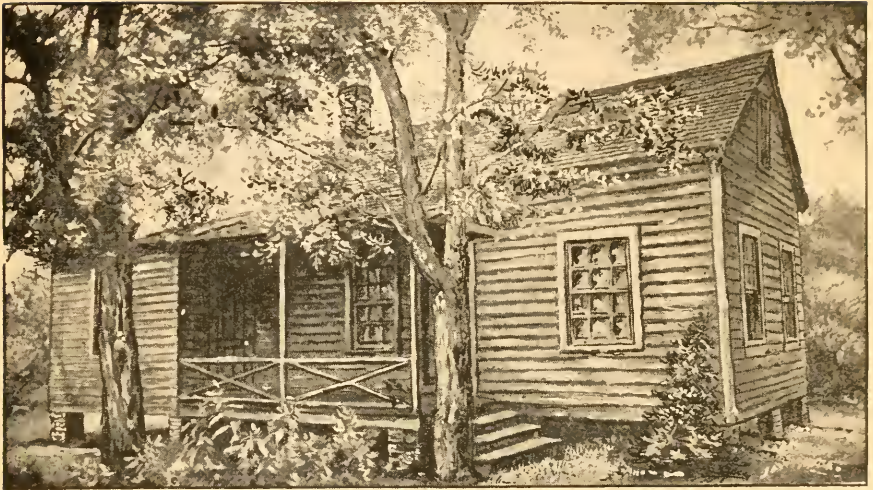
ALEX. HENRY.



ADVANCED SEWING CLASS.

We train Girls for Domestic Work: also, to Cut, Make and to Mend.

From "Home Mission Monthly" for April, 1893.



COTTAGE WHERE WORK OF THE IMMANUEL MISSION BEGAN.

THE IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN MISSION.

This very successful work, at Aiken, S. C., established by Rev. W. R. Coles, in 1881, is not unknown to many of the readers of this magazine; for some of them have visited Aiken, seen the work and can testify as to its merits.

Considering the fact that Presbyterianism had not been known among the colored people of Aiken until Mr. Coles undertook work there, it may safely be said that the success has been great.

We quote the following from the annual report :

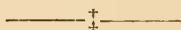
"The work which was begun 'as an experiment' in a small rented cottage, a little more than ten years ago, has surmounted difficulties, overcome obstacles, gained favor with God and man, until it has assumed a large, fixed and useful attitude in this community, that commends it to all classes of people. These are not mere assertions. They are statements that are well supported by evidence to be seen on the ground, and learned from eye-witnesses.

"We think it quite safe to say, that ten years of successful work has demonstrated the right of the mission to exist, and that its present work and prospective usefulness merit increased confidence and enlarged support."

During the past month, Dr. Cowen, Corresponding Secretary of the Board for Freedmen, spent two days in Aiken. He says of this mission: "It is a healthy plant, neatly kept, and doing good work in every department."

The attendance in school has reached over 200. More room is needed for the accommodation of the boarding department.

An effort has been made to establish an industrial department. The sewing department is now established, a carpenter shop opened, and it is hoped that before the next scholastic year a suitable building for these and other industrial pursuits will have been secured.



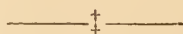
SHALL AND IS.



"Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God."—Psalm, 68 : 31.

These words were written by King David nearly 3000 years ago. He spoke of the *future*, and used the word "*Shall*." We speak of the *present*, and use the word "*Is*."

See picture on opposite page.



COLUMBIA, S. C., July 14, 1892.

It gives me pleasure to state that I have watched with interest and satisfaction the work done by Rev. W. R. Coles, at Aiken, S. C. Mr. Coles is a gentleman of refinement and culture, and his presence and labors are a power for good in that community. His school has taken a strong hold on the people, and is successfully supplying a want long felt. Every dollar contributed to that enterprise is well spent, and will be productive of lasting good to the colored people of South Carolina.

J. G. CLINKSCALES,

Professor of Mathematics in Columbia Female College and former Clerk to Superintendent of Education.

Ethiopia "is" stretching out her hands unto God.



JOHN F. TENTEE.

This is a picture of one of our Boarding Scholars. He was born in 1881, at Donda, Africa, near the Congo River. His history is both interesting and striking, illustrating the Great Truth: "God moves in a mysterious way."

BIDDLE UNIVERSITY,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.,

July 7, 1892.

*To the Friends of Christian
Education for the Colored
People:*

From personal contact and observation I know of the extent and importance of the work of Rev. W. R. Coles, at Aiken, South Carolina, which includes Church and Normal and Industrial School, and I know of no similar enterprise which is more worthy of the practical sympathy and support of Christian people.

Very respectfully,

D. J. SANDERS,
*President of Biddle University and
Editor of the "Afro-American
Presbyterian."*

References.

WE, whose names are signed below, have visited Aiken, seen the work of the Immanuel Presbyterian Mission, and believe it to be worthy of support. We, therefore, heartily commend it to all who feel an interest in such enterprises.

GEORGE H. KENNEDY, Morristown, N. J.
THOMAS S. STRONG, 78 and 80 Wall Street, N. Y. City.
M. P. MILLS, 21 Beekman Street, N. Y. City.
ROBERTSON, Pottsville, Pa.
CHARLES F. WILCOX, 658 Broadway, N. Y. City.
BARLOW, Mahanoy City, Pa.
W. LONGSTRETH, 1001 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

